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SUBJECT: AMSPEC FRANCIS TANNIAN

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1. DURING HIS BRIEF STAY IN HUNGARY PROF. FRANCIS TANNIAN DELIVERED A LECTURE ON URBAN ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS TO THIRTY MEMBERS OF THE TWON PLANNING INSITUTE (VATI), AN INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH AND PLANNING ORGANIZATION RESPONSIBLE FOR NATION-WIFE CITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS AND WHICH PROVIDES SIGNFICANT INPUT INTO INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS SUPPORTED BY THE HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT. HIS AUDIENCE WAS COMPOSED PRIMARILY OF YOUNG ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, AND SOCIOLOGISTS IN THEIR MIDDLE TWENTIES AND EARLY THIRTIES. FOR MOST OF THEM IT WAS THEIR FIRST EXPOSURE TO AN AMERICAN ACADEMIC.

2. FOLLOWING HIS TALK DR. TANNIAN MET WITH SEVERAL VATI OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS MORE INFORMALLY URBAN PLANNING TOPICS. HE ALSO RECEIVED INDICATIONS OF INTEREST AT THE POSSIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING INSTITUTIONAL RELATIONS BETWEEN VATI AND UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE, WHICH IF SUCCESSFUL MIGHT EVENTUALLY CULMINATE IN AN EXCHANGE OF STUDENTS OR FACULTY.

3. IN EVALUATING HIS PROGRAM AT VATI DR. TANNIAN FELT THAT HE HAD BEEN VERY WARMLY RECEIVED. HE WAS IMPRESSED BY THE LEVEL OF SOPHISTICATION OF THE INSTI-
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